

25X1A NOTICE OF PENDING LEGISLATION

DATE

31 January 1956

LEGISLATIVE BILL NO.

H.R. 8710

## SECTION I

## GENERAL

TO : Dir/Logistics OGC

FROM: LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL  
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL-  
Inspector General

THE ATTACHED BILL, WHICH HAS BEEN INTRODUCED INTO CONGRESS, IS:

☐ SENT TO YOU FOR INFORMATION ONLY.☐ A BILL ON WHICH FAVORABLE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ☐ IS ☐ IS NOT PREDICTED.☒ SENT FOR YOUR COMMENT AS TO WHETHER IT IS OF INTEREST TO CIA ACTIVITIES, AND WHETHER FURTHER ACTION BY THIS OFFICE IS NECESSARY OR DESIRED.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT COMMENTS CONCERNING THIS LEGISLATION BE FORWARDED, THROUGH APPROPRIATE CHANNELS, TO THIS OFFICE, BY

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## SECTION II

## COMMENTS (From Original Addressee)

TO : LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL  
~~OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL~~  
Office of Inspector General

FROM: Director of Logistics

1. The enactment of H.R. 8710 would apparently result in the immediate withdrawal of the authority to negotiate contracts under Section 2(c)(1) of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947 inasmuch as the committee on Armed Services strenuously objects to the use of this authority during the present peace time period.

There would seem to be no reason for this Agency to object to this proposed amendment of Section 2(c)(1) inasmuch as compliance with the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947 by this Agency is not mandatory. In this connection it is noted that:

- a. Public Law 110, 81st Congress, provides that the Central Intelligence Agency is authorized to exercise the authorities contained in certain sections of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947.
- b. CIA Regulation 45-500 provides that the Armed Services Procurement Regulation will be used as a guide insofar as practicable.
- c. Section 10(b) of Public Law 110, 81st Congress, provides that the sums made available to the Agency may be expended without regard to the provisions of law and regulations relating to the expenditure of Government funds.....

2. That section of H.R. 8710 which would raise a \$1,000 limitation in Section 2(c)(3) of the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947 to \$2500 for single purchases would be very desirable insofar as the Office of Logistics is concerned.

3. There are no objections to the remaining amendments to the Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947 as proposed in H.R. 8710.

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Director of Logistics

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